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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE,
CHINA AND JAPAN.PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM
HONGKONG, 1892.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Empress of China | Saturday | Apr. 16th.
Empress of India | Saturday | May 7th.
Empress of Japan | Saturday | May 28th.

THE "EMPEROR OF CHINA,"
Captain R. Archibald, sailing at Noon, on
SATURDAY, the 6th April, 1892, with Her
Majesty's Mail, will proceed to YANCOUVER,
via SHANGHAI, Inland Sea, KOBE and
YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
(In Mexican Dollars).
FROM HONGKONG, FIRST CLASS.

TO	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
Vancouver, Victoria, Esqui- mault, New Westminster, B.C., Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, Ore., San Francisco, Portland, Me., Bangor, Me., Winnipeg, Man., St. Paul, To Minneapolis, St. Paul, Duluth, Minn., Chicago, Ill., St. Louis, Mo., Kansas City, Milwaukee, Wis., Detroit, Mich., Cincinnati, Ohio, Cleveland, Ohio, Hawthorn, London, Toronto, Ont., Kingston, Ottawa, Ont., Montreal, Quebec, Que., New York, Albany, Troy, Rochester, N.Y., Baltimore, Md., Philadelphia, Pa., Pittsburgh, Pa., Washington, D.C., Boston, Mass., Portland, Me., Halifax, N.S., St. John, N.B., Liverpool and London via Li- verpool	325	338	394
Paris, via Liverpool and Lon- don	325	338	394
Havre, via Liverpool and Lon- don	325	338	394
Bremen	325	338	394
Hamburg	325	338	394

and class steamer and 1st class on rail and
2nd class steamer and rail, also Steamer Fare
and Rates to other places, quoted on application.
The Steamer call at Victoria to land and
embark passengers.

Return Tickets.—Time limit for prepaid return
ticket is reckoned from date of issue to date of
re-embarking at Vancouver.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England,
France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines
of steamers.

Special rates (first-class only) are granted to
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,
Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European
officials in service of China and Japan, and to
Government officials.

CARGO.—Through Bills of Lading issued to
Japan, Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian
and United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States
Ports should be in quadruplicate, and one
copy must be sent forward by the steamer
to the care of D. E. BROWN, Assistant General
Freight and Passenger Agent, Canadian Pacific
Railway, Vancouver, B. C.

Parcels must be sent to the Company's Office
with address marked in full by 5 P.M. on the
day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or
Freight, apply to
E. HOLLOWAY,
General Agent,
Office, Fiddler's Street,
Hongkong, 29th March, 1892.

J. Blackhead & Co.,
SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAIL-MAKERS,
and PROVISION MERCHANTS
NAVY CONTRACTORS, &
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No. 11 Praya Central,
(Opposite Paddy's Wharf).

SOLE AGENTS FOR
RAHTJEN'S GENUINE COMPOSITION
FOR
THE BOTTOMS OF IRON SHIPS,
HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT, specially man-
ufactured for coating the inside of STEEL SHIPS.

SPECIAL SELECTED
EXTRA PRIME PORK AND BEEF in Barrels.
Also
AMERICAN PRIME SUGAR-CURED
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CEMENT from the celebrated Factory of
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FLENSBURG STOCK BEER,
ENGINEERS' and BLACKSMITHS'
MACHINERY AND TOOLS,
EVERY KIND OF
SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES
ALWAYS IN STOCK

AT
REASONABLE PRICES,
ALL KINDS OF COALS
SUPPLIED AT THE SHORTEST NOTICE.

See Columns of the finest old BRANDY
COGNAC, 4 Stars, selected expressly for F. D. &
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FOR THE
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Manufactured by the
LEDUC TULE IMPROVEMENT COMPANY,
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Acknowledged by the scientific world as the
MOST EFFECTIVE DISINFECTANT
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Is neither poisonous nor caustic, may be used
by everybody without the slightest apprehension
of danger.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1892.

Intimations.

Notice to Consumers

THE PREPARATIONS OF
L. LEGRAND ORIZA-PERFUMERY11, Place de la Madeleine, PARIS
Formerly 207, Rue Saint-HonoréSuch as: ORIZA-OIL, ESS. ORIZA, ORIZA-LACTÉ, CRÈME-ORIZA
ORIZA-VELOUTÉ, ORIZA-TONIQUE, ORIZALINE, ORIZA-SOAP

HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN OBTAINING THE PATRONAGE OF THE PUBLIC BECAUSE:
1. Their manufacture is supervised with the greatest care;
2. Their qualities are unalterable and their perfumes sweet.
As, in order to profit by their great reputation, the Oriza preparations have been
counterfeited

we warn Consumers not to let themselves be deceived.

The genuine preparations are sold by all respectable Perfumers and Druggists.

Illustrated Catalogue sent from Paris post-free.

Agents in Hongkong—

A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd. DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA, Ltd.

DOCTOR CLERTAN'S SANDAL PEARLS

SANDAL PEARLS
which are highly approved by the Parisian
Academy of Medicine, contain the pure essence of
Santal, enclosed in a thin transparent gelatine
envelope which is perfectly soluble and digestible.
They possess a proved efficacy in cases of inflamma-
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Dr. Clertan's Sandal pearls cure all these incon-
veniences whether recent or chronic, in two or three days, without leaving any ill
or frequently occurs with all similar preparations.

Every bottle is genuine, bears Dr. CLERTAN'S signature.
See that the label on each bottle bears the address, 19, rue Jacob, Paris. Sold by all chemists.

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THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVER-
LAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT
YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG.
City of Peking Saturday 16th April.
City of Rio de Janeiro Tuesday, May 10th.
China Thursday and June.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship
"CITY OF PEKING"
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via
YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on SATUR-
DAY, the 16th April, at 1 P.M., taking Passengers
and Freight for Japan, the United States and
Europe.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
From Hongkong, First-class.
To San Francisco, Vancouver,
Victoria, Esquimaux, New
Westminster, Port Townsend,
Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, Ore.,
To Liverpool and London 325.00
To Paris and Bremen 345.00
Through Passage Tickets granted to England,
France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines
of Steamers.

RATES OF PASSAGE TO OVERLAND
CITIES, FIRST CLASS.

DESTINATION. 30 day Tickets. 45 day Tickets.

Kansas City, Mo., Omaha, Neb. 285.00 291.50
St. Louis, Mo. 292.50 299.00
St. Paul, Minn., Minneapolis, Minn. 292.50 299.00
Chicago, Ill. 297.50 304.00
Milwaukee, Wis. 299.50 306.00
Cincinnati, Ohio 304.50 311.00
Cleveland, Ohio 306.50 313.00
Detroit, Mich. 309.50 316.00
Toronto, Canada 310.50 317.00
Pittsburg, Penn. 310.50 317.00
Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Md. 317.00 324.00
Philadelphia, Penn. 317.00 324.00
New York. 317.00 324.00
Boston, Mass. 321.50 328.00
Portland, Maine 327.25 334.00

All the above Rates are in Mexican Dollars.
Special rates (first-class only) are granted to
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,
Diplomatic, and Civil Service, to European
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Government officials and their families.

Passengers by this line have the option of
proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific
and Connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern
Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Return Tickets.—First Class.—Prepaid return
tickets to San Francisco will be issued at follow-
ing rates:—
4 months \$337.50
12 months \$393.75
Time is reckoned from date of issue to date of
re-embarking at San Francisco.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embark-
ing at San Francisco for China or Japan (or
vice versa) within one year will be allowed a
discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does
not apply to through fares from China and
Japan to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to
address in full, and same will be received at
the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day
previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo de-
stined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the
United States, should be sent to the Company's
Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs,
San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage or
Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company,
No. 74, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, 7th April, 1892.

CHS. J. GAUPP & CO.
CHRONOMETER, WATCH, and CLOCK
MAKERS, JEWELLERS, SILVER-
SMITHS, and OPTICIANS.

CHARTS and BOOKS
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SIEN TING
SURGEON DENTIST,
No. 10, D'AGUIAR STREET.
TERMS VERY MODERATE.

Consultation free.
Hongkong, 10th March, 1892.

Intimations.

THE CHINA AND JAPAN TELEPHONE
COMPANY, LIMITED.LIST OF Subscribers to the HONGKONG
TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.

1.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
2.—Aberdeen Paper Mills Office, Wing Lok St.
3.—Aberdeen Paper Mills.
4.—Aberdeen Dock.
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1.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
2.—Aberdeen Paper Mills Office, Wing Lok St.
3.—Aberdeen Paper Mills.
4.—Aberdeen Dock.
5.—Alice Memorial Hospital.
6.—Anderson, G. C., Capt., Praya Central.
7.—Do.
8.—Butterfield and Swire.
9.—Do.
10.—Bellics & Co.
11.—Bellics, E. R., "Kingsclere."
12.—Bellics, E. R., "The Eyrie."
13.—Cantile, Dr. J., Victoria Peak.
14.—Central Police Station.
15.—China Mail.
16.—Cowie, Dr. Alex.
17.—China Sugar Refinery, Town Office.
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I am assured that we could give it. I know, I am not sure that our particulars never could be anything like as complete or as reliable as theirs. I am not sure they give all details of imports, but exports they do, and that, too, without interfering with trade in the local houses.

The speaker began to second the proposal of Mr. Bellios. (Loud cheers.)

Mr. Granville Sharo said that all along he had been inclined to sympathise with the Chairman's original opinion on this matter, but in the face of the very clear and caudill returns presented in the yellow-backed Customs returns it was not necessary, he thought, to impose any further harassment on the freedom of the port. As the present returns appeared as they appeared, nothing could be done without legislation. They had been overdone with legislation, and he certainly thought that this proposal ought not to be urged until the way could be seen a little more clearly. They all knew well that there was espionage in the harbour at the present time. In spite of being a free port in name, this seriously hampered trade, and he thought that the people of Hongkong paid a good deal too heavily for their commodities in the market. Continued the speaker:—There is something wrong in these gunboats with their white hulls, here and there and everywhere. I don't blame them. I think the Customs are admirably conducted for the purpose for which they are established and we must praise Sir Robert Hart for the management of this wonderful affair for the benefit of China. But that there is something wrong in that regard there can be no doubt. I could not say that the French word which we should never forget, *espionage*, upon which Mr. Bellios has spoken so freely. There is espionage, there is a ligament, a stricture somewhere in the inlets and outlets of this harbour which I hope someone here will live to see removed. I would fain see the Chinese consent to the withdrawing of these gunboats and the closing now the blockade of Hongkong harbour. We must have nothing but free trade here and therefore I think that the Chairman has rightly put before us the view that we must ask the Government to postpone or withdraw the proposed resolution.

The Chairman then put the motion of the Hon. E. R. Bellios, which was carried unanimously.

The following Committee was elected by ballot:—Mr. J. J. Keawick, Hon. T. H. Whitehead, and Messrs. James G. Wood, Mr. H. Joseph N. Ho, G. C. Wood, R. M. Gray, St. C. Michaelson, and H. Hopplius.

The Hon. E. R. Bellios proposed, and Mr. H. Hopplius seconded, that Mr. Edwin Mackintosh be re-elected Chairman and the Hon. J. J. Keawick vice-Chairman.

The motion was carried with applause.

The Chairman—I have to thank you for the distinguished honour of electing me as Chairman. It is the first time I have ever been accepted for the office. I shall aim in the past do my very best, during the short time that I shall be here for the interests of this Chamber, and of the commerce of the colony. In that I yield to none, but on my departure I am proud to think that you have selected a gentleman who firmly believe is more capable to fill this position than myself.

The Hon. T. H. Whitehead—I think that before we go I must say a few words and that is to propose to the meeting now that I would like to propose the invaluable services which he has rendered this Chamber, and the trade and commerce of the Colony.

Mr. Gray seconded, and the compliment was accorded with acclamation.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SONGEI KOYAH, EAST BORNEO AND LAMAG PLANTING COMPANIES.

(IN LIQUIDATION.)

The liquidators of these three Companies called a meeting of the shareholders of each of them to-day to receive the report and statement of accounts of the liquidators. Mr. C. S. Sheppard and the Chairman said a very small attendance.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, as there is no quorum present we cannot transact any of the formal business for which the meeting was called. It was intended to present a statement of accounts and get them passed, but there is no quorum now the meeting is held until the final meeting, which will be held according to the Ordinances. The amount very small which remains to be returned so very small that we proposed to let it back until a final dividend could be declared, but there was a general expression to have it distributed at once, so there be paid £175 on each fully paid share in Songei Koyah Co., \$3.10 on each fully paid share in Lamag Co., \$2.10 on each fully paid share in Lamag Co., and \$2.10 on each half-paid share in Company. This leaves about \$25,000 more on each company, to pay expenses on the final dividend. We propose to let these returns (which form the second dividend on Thursday next. I think beyond that statement we can do nothing else at this meeting was not absolutely necessary to have called a meeting at all.

The proceedings thus terminated.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

The first object that attracts the attention of visitors to Hongkong when entering the city is approaching Pedder's Wharf from the pier in the harbour is a conspicuous pile of scaffolding, which encloses a huge, square pile of masonry on the water front, towering above all other buildings in the city, and the size making the mean little insignificant pile of scaffolding of the colony even more conspicuous in the appearance. This building, rapidly nearing completion, is the Hongkong Hotel, the only first-class hotel in the colony, and with the possible exception of "Australian" in Sydney, the largest, as it is the best appointed hotel in Asia.

For years past the hotel business in the colony has been somewhat erratic, the stream of visitors being such an uncertain element that during some seasons the hotel was half-empty, and at other times the rate of Foreign Steamers became so completely swamped with globe-trotting missionaries, tourists of all sorts and natives, *et hoc genus omne*, that scores of people have had frequently to be turned away for sleeping accommodation in the building. In view of this and of the increasing stream of visitors from all parts of the globe who are constantly passing through Hongkong, the directors of the hotel have decided to provide ample and comfortable accommodation for all comers, and at the same time adorn the city with a handsome imposing building in a prominent position on the harbour-front.

The new building, designed by Mr. Palmer and Turner, the well-known architects, is five storeys high, and is completed the Hotel managers think that it will have no equal in the colony, with every accommodation for the most fastidious of the globe. The new dining room is of unusually large dimensions, and there are also a splendid ball room, commodious and well lighted billiard room, and a bar worthy of the hotel—thus that cannot and need not be. Two hydraulic lifts of the latest type

the centre of the building render communication easy between the remotest parts of the hotel; while a broad staircase in the front, specially arranged so as to get the full benefit of the large windows facing Pender's Street, gives access from floor to floor; besides which there are several smaller staircases about the back parts, so that it is practically impossible for anybody to be cut off from the street in case of fire or other accident. Further, the latest and most effective pattern of fire-hose on patent reels, which can be run out and got to work in a moment, will be on every floor.

The rooms in the different storeys are all outside rooms and arranged on the same general plan. In the centre of the building is a large, well-shaped space, open to the sky, giving a brilliant light in all directions. On each side of this space is a broad corridor, running the whole length of the hotel, from the Praya to Queen's Road, on each side of the corridor being spacious and well-lit bedrooms. A large verandah, with tiled floors and handsomely decorated arches and parapets, extends round three sides of the building, over the Praya, Pender's Street, and the old part of the hotel in Queen's Road, the servants' quarters being on the fourth side, towards the City Hall. Each bedroom will have its verandah partitioned off to itself, while on the highest floor it is intended to fix a telescope of power so great that every wrinkle on the face of a man fishing beyond Stonecutters Island will be clearly visible. The hotel's well-known flag will wave in the breeze from a flag-staff 45 feet in length.

In the bedrooms the fittings and furniture will be uniform. Every room, with one single exception, has a fireplace, with an antique wood-piased and tiled mantel-piece. In every ceiling and every floor a grating running all round the edge, supplies free and universal ventilation, both in the rooms and under all the floors, so that there is no chance of any one not having a chance. None of the furniture has arrived as yet, so that a proper description cannot now be given, but from what can be gathered it will be in no way inferior and probably even a good deal superior to that now in use in the old portion of the hotel, which has never been found fault with by visitors. The bath-rooms, lavatories, etc., are arranged in the centre of each floor, and are most elegantly and efficiently fitted, hot and cold water at all times and every convenience and modern improvement that ingenuity could devise having been provided on a lavish scale.

The dining-room, on the first floor, over the Praya, is a magnificent saloon—the largest of its kind in Asia, though the number of pillars and arches necessary to support the colossal structure above, tends to diminish the appearance of size. It is divided into two sections, the smaller being set apart for ladies, and will provide ample room at the tables for 250 persons, so that the hotel is not only a place where the public functions will not have to be held in the unsuitable City Hall. Besides this there are a number of smaller dining-rooms for private parties, a spacious saloon for meetings of public companies, etc., drawing-rooms, and a specially well-fitted billiard room, a room for reading, a room for present day felt by residents in and visitors to the hotel.

The bar and billiard rooms will be also on the north or Praya side, under the dining room; at present these are entirely in the hands of the contractors who are enjoying themselves in the midst of the wildest chaos that even a Chinese mind could conceive. At least, that is how it looks to an outsider. By and by no doubt the word will be given. "Let there be light," and also presumably "Let there be drink." A word as to the proposed bar arrangements will greatly interest the few in this colony who are addicted to drink. It is intended to have two bars, one on the same system as at present, and the other a twenty-cent business, in order to suit all requirements. There will be six billiard tables in the new saloon, which has been so arranged as to give ample space to the players at all the tables, and a handsome lavatory, etc., will render this by far the most comfortable billiard room this colony has yet known.

The kitchen, large, airy and thoroughly well fitted up in every respect, is situated at the top of the house, and communicates with the rest of the building by a lift. The place is a model of cleanliness and the whole arrangements could scarcely be improved upon.

The Hongkong Hotel has had a good many ups and downs since it first started business; but the times have greatly altered of late years and prospects of an ever-increasing tide of visitors to the colony are so certain that, with the opening of the new building, an era of continuous prosperity should set in under the present able management. Visitors to the hotel must have noticed of late many improvements in the arrangements made for their comfort. The energetic Chairman of the Board of Directors, Mr. E. Jones Hughes, has personally taken an active part in supervising many matters connected with the additional accommodation and in the business generally and has done the shareholders good service. Mr. R. Tucker, the experienced and hard-working manager, is entitled to great credit for the many valuable improvements he has suggested and had carried out both as regards the new building and in the details of hotel management, and he has placed affairs in a state of efficiency that had never been the case previously. Mr. Tucker has been very ably supported by his obliging assistant, Mr. John McInnes, who for the past year has been most indefatigable in the Hotel Co. office, and who is also deservedly popular with the long-resident and visitors. The Company have also a most trustworthy and efficient servant in their commodor, Mr. Chun Lun, better known to his intimates as "Sam," whose hotel experiences, in Hongkong extend considerably over thirty years. There may, no doubt, be various respects room for improvement, but taken as a whole the Hongkong Hotel has no superior and very few equals in Asia.

The new building will, it is expected, be ready in August next.

THE PROPOSED LOAN FOR HONGKONG.

The following is the Report of the Committee of the Legislative Council appointed to consider the advisability of raising a public loan, which was laid before the Legislative Council by command of His Excellency the Governor, on the 28th March, 1892.

(1) In pursuance of the order issued by His Excellency the Governor in his address to the Legislative Council on 25th January, 1892, a committee was appointed to consider the necessity of raising a public loan, &c., the undersigned have the honour to submit the following report:

(2) The Committee met in the Council Chamber on Saturday, 14th February, 1892, when the Chairman informed that the Surveyor-General was now of opinion that not more than \$500,000 can be expended on Extraordinary Public Works in any one year, and that to do more is beyond the capabilities of the Surveyor-General's Department as now constituted.

(3) According to his Excellency's address above referred to, the Revenue for 1892, owing to the diminution by \$114,000 in the Opium Farm receipts, will be \$2,050,178, instead of \$2,164,178, and the ordinary expenditure \$2,773,916, leaving an estimated surplus of \$286,262. The balance of revenue over

liabilities is said to be \$250,000, making with that surplus of \$256,262, \$406,262. The proposed expenditure for 1892 on Public Works Extraordinary is \$680,000, which may perhaps be reduced to \$600,000. The total sum required for all the Public Works Extraordinary in contemplation is, say \$2,680,000. Of this sum upwards of \$300,000 was expended to 31st December last, leaving a balance of \$1,780,000 to be provided in 1892 and subsequent years.

(4) The proposed expenditure for 1892 on Public Works Extraordinary being now reduced from \$680,000 to \$500,000, the ordinary deficit at the end of the current year will be \$243,140, which will be still further reduced to \$91,140, owing to the balance of assets over liabilities being, on the 31st January last, \$150,000. For reference the figures are given:—

Estimated Revenue, 1892	\$2,050,178
Estimated Ordinary Expenditure	1,773,916
	\$ 276,262
Estimated Expenditure Extraordinary	
Public Works, 1892	500,000
Estimated Surplus Revenue, &c.	276,262
Deficit	\$ 243,140
Balance of Assets	150,000
Total Deficit	\$ 93,140

(5) Assuming that the revenue and ordinary expenditure continue on about the above basis, and that the expenditure on Extraordinary Public Works is \$500,000 per annum, there will be a deficit on account of—

1892, of say	\$250,000
1893, " "	250,000
1894, " "	250,000
1895, " "	125,000
The figures are again given in the margin for reference, and it appears that when the Public Works Extraordinary in contemplation referred to in his Excellency's address, viz., \$2,680,000, there will be a deficit to the extent of about \$750,000 made up as follows:—	
Deficit during 1892	\$ 93,000
" 1893	250,000
" 1894	250,000
" 1895	125,000
	\$ 718,000

or say \$750,000.

Here are the figures:—

Extraordinary Expenditure Public Works	\$ 500,000
Less—Surplus in Revenue over Ordinary Expenditure	256,860
	\$ 243,140

Or say a deficit of \$250,000 in 1893; a like sum short in 1894 of \$250,000; and a sum short in 1895 of \$125,000.

Deficit and 1895

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(6) The expenditure already incurred on the site for the proposed Western Market is, say \$75,000, and the expenditure also already incurred on the Praya Reclamation in front of the Cricket Ground is, say \$100,000, which sums form part of the total of Public Works Extraordinary, amounting to \$2,680,000. If sold, these reclamations and other Government lands available would realize large sums of money.

Resolved therefore—

(1) That while it is possible to realize assets at fair and reasonable prices, it is not considered advisable for the Government to borrow further money.

(2) That any deficit in the revenues of the colony during this year be arranged for locally in the currency of Hongkong on reasonable terms.

(3) That, owing to the present violent fluctuations in the value of silver as measured in gold, it is considered expedient to defer for the present borrowing in sterling money.

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
N. G. MITCHELL-THOMAS,
C. P. CHATER,
T. H. WHITEHEAD.

2nd March, 1892.

THE CANTON RIVER STEAMER COLLISION.

Further particulars of the collision between the *Kingchow* and the *Hankow* in the Canton river to hand show that at the time the vessels came in contact, both of them were heading for the City of Rams through the Capetown Pass. The weather was very hazy and foggy, so much so that the Captain of the *Hankow* having already waited long after the usual time deemed it prudent to drop his anchor and wait till the fog lifted. Meanwhile the little *Kingchow*, which was following the B. and S. steamer at a fair pace, was kept on her course in the belief that the leading vessel was still under way, and ran into her stern, damaged herself about the bows, and smashed a little of the *Hankow's* wood-work. Neither vessel is seriously injured and both of them are now running as per usual.

A QUEER STORY FROM CANTON.

A correspondent writes under date the 7th inst.:

Last Friday two Chinese women came to Shamshu to visit a relative who was employed as an amah in a family on the British concession. On their way back, when passing through the French concession, they were forcibly detained by some persons who were at work on a new house in course of construction there. Their relatives complained of this outrage to their master, who at once went to see what was wrong; but the masters refused to let the women go, for the alleged reason that the elder woman intended to sell the younger one. The foreigner, obtaining no satisfaction, wrote a letter to the French Consul asking for his assistance, and was told that the Consul would see about it at once.

No more was heard about the two women and their relative the amah, who thought that they had been released and gone home. But two days afterwards the husband of the younger woman appeared on the scene inquiring after his wife, and at last found that she and her companion were locked up in the Chinese police station opposite the Shamshu bridge, by order of the French Consul. It appears that the Consul, when he received the foreigner's note, sent for his head policeman, who from all accounts would appear to have been interested in the detention of the women, and told him to take them to the Police Station with his card, which meant, of course, "detain them till you hear from me." And there they were kept and probably would be there now if the foreigner had not taken the matter in hand, and after a lot of trouble obtained an order from the French Consul for their release.

What we on Shamshu want to know now is—why were not steps taken to punish the persons who illegally detained these people on the French concession? For what offence were these women arrested by the French Consul and handed over to the Chinese authorities like two criminals?

correspondent; but it seems probable that some evidence was forthcoming supporting the statement made by the masters, that the old woman intended to sell her youthful companion, and in such case the Consul acted quite properly in handing the affair over to be investigated by the Chinese authorities.—Ed., *Hongkong Telegraph*.

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CHAS. B. HICKS, Manager.
ROBERT LOVE, General Agent.
Hongkong, 9th April, 1892. [410]

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THE "MILITARY MUMMERS" WILL GIVE A PERFORMANCE of Tom Taylor's Sensational Drama "THE TICKET-OF-LEAVE MAN," THIS EVENING, the 9th April, 1892.

Doors open at 8.30. Commence at 9 p.m., precisely.

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GOD SAVE THE QUEEN! Hongkong, 9th April, 1892. [375]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Captain Lewis will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 12th instant, at Daylight.

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Captain G. Taylor will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 13th inst., at 5 P.M.

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Today's Advertisements.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION. PROGRAMME OF TENTH PRIZE MEETING.

TO BE HELD AT NEW TOWN ON FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND MONDAY, April 15th, 16th and 18th, 1892.

1st.—All Comers.—Distance 200 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Unlimited entries, 30 cents each. Ten prizes, value \$40. Presented.

1st prize, \$8; 2nd prize, \$6; 3rd prize, \$5; 4th prize, \$4; 5th prize, \$3; 6th prize, \$2; 7th prize, \$1; 8th prize, \$1; 9th prize, \$1; 10th prize, \$1.

2nd.—Queen's 1st Stage.—Distance 200 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance fee, 50 cents. Four prizes, value \$10. Presented by C. J. Holliday, Esq. Position—Standing or Kneeling.

3rd.—Members of Council.—Past and Present Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils of Hongkong. Distance 300 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. No entrance fee. Service target. Prize, Silver Cup presented by A. McConachie, Esq.

4th.—Ladies' Tournament.—Open to Lady Members of their Nominations. Distance 300 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. No entrance fee. See condition No. 3. Ten prizes, presented.

1st Prize, Silver Girdle.
2nd " Cloisonné Koro.
3rd " Silver Paper-knife.
4th " Pair of Cloisonné Vases.
5th " Gold Bangle.
6th " Gold Shawl Pin.
7th " Chinese Irons.
8th " Silver Card Case.
9th " Silver Buckles.
10th " Blackwood Cello Stand.

5th.—Ladies' Prize.—Presented by the Ladies of Hongkong. Distance 200 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance fee, 50 cents. Three prizes.

6th.—All Comers.—Distance 300 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Unlimited entries. Fee 30 cents each. Prizes—60 per cent. of the entries to be distributed amongst the best four scorers. 1st Prize, 40 per cent., and 2nd Prize, 30 per cent., 3rd Prize, 20 per cent., 4th Prize, 10 per cent.

7th.—All Comers.—Distance 500 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Unlimited entries, 30 cents each. Ten prizes, value \$40. Presented. 1st Prize, \$8; 2nd Prize, \$6; 3rd Prize, \$5; 4th Prize, \$4; 5th Prize, \$3; 6th Prize, \$2; 7th Prize, \$1; 8th Prize, \$1; 9th Prize, \$1; 10th Prize, \$1.

8th.—Queen's 1st Stage.—Distance 300 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance fee, 50 cents. Four prizes. Presented by Members of the Civil Service. Position—Sitting, Kneeling or Prone.

9th.—Queen's 2nd Stage.—Distance 500 yards. No. of Shots—Ten. Entrance fee, 50 cents. Four prizes, see "Victoria Aggregate," No. 17. Position—Sitting, Kneeling or Prone.

10th.—All Comers.—Distance 600 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Unlimited entries, 30 cents each. Prizes—60 per cent. of the entries to be distributed amongst the best four scorers. 1st Prize, 40 per cent., and 2nd Prize, 30 per cent., 3rd Prize, 20 per cent., 4th Prize, 10 per cent.

11th.—Queen's 1st Stage.—Distance 600 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance fee, 50 cents. Four prizes, value \$10. By Members of the Civil Service.

12th.—Queen's 2nd Stage.—Distance 600 yards. No. of Shots—Fifteen. Entrance fee, 50 cents. Four prizes, see "Victoria Aggregate," No. 17. Position—Sitting, Kneeling or Prone.

13th.—Queen's 3rd Stage.—Distance 800 yards. No. of Shots—Ten. Entrance fee, 50 cents. For prizes, see "Long Range Aggregate," No. 18.

14.—Queen's 3rd Stage.—Distance 900 yards. No. of Shots—Ten. Entrance fee, 50 cents. For prizes, see "Long Range Aggregate," No. 18.

AGGREGATES OPEN TO MEMBERS.

15th.—Nursery Aggregate.—Restricted to members who are not scratch shots of the Hongkong Rifle Association, and who have never won a First or Second prize exceeding the value of £1 at any previous prize meeting in Hongkong or elsewhere, and whose respective scores in competitions Nos. 1, 7, and 11 make up the highest aggregate. Six prizes, value \$40. Entrance fee, 30 cents. Presented.

16th.—The "Lander" Cup.—For the highest aggregate in the first stage of the Queen's Navy and Military excluded. Entrance fee, 50 cents. One Prize—Presented by Capt. Burgess Watson and Officers of H. M. S. *Lander*.

17th.—Victoria Aggregate.—For competitors whose respective scores in the 2nd and 3rd stages of the Queen's (competitions Nos. 9 and 12) make up the highest aggregate. Entrance fee, 50 cents. Five prizes, value \$25. Presented by Members of the Hongkong Club.

1st Prize, \$7; 2nd Prize, \$6; 3rd Prize, \$5; 4th Prize, \$4; 5th Prize, \$3.

18th.—The Long Range Aggregate.—For competitors whose respective scores in the 3rd stage of the Queen's (competitions Nos. 13 and 14) make up the highest aggregate. No entrance fee. Five prizes, value \$25. Presented by H. N. Mody, Esq. 1st Prize, \$7; 2nd Prize, \$6; 3rd Prize, \$5; 4th Prize, \$4; 5th Prize, \$3.

19th.—The Champion Aggregate.—For the competitor whose scores in competitions Nos. 2, 5, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13 and 14 make up the highest aggregate. Entrance fee, 50 cents. Prize, Silver Cup presented by Hon. C. F. Chater, and N. R. A. Silver Medal presented by Association.

20th.—Queen's Aggregate.—For competitors whose respective scores in the Three Stages of the Queen's make up the highest aggregate. Winner of the Champion Aggregate disqualified. Entrance fee, \$1. Ten prizes. Presented.

POOL—OPEN TO ALL COMERS. 150 yards. 20 cents each shot.

The Entrance money for Pool (less 25 per cent), will be divided daily, the prizes of Friday on Saturday morning; those of Saturday on Monday morning; those of Monday, if possible on Monday evening.

E. ROBINSON, Hon. Sec. Address, Hongkong Club. Hongkong, 9th April, 1892. [416]

ST. ANDREW'S CHAPTER, HONGKONG, No. 218 S.C.

AN EMERGENCY CONVOCAION of the above Chapter will be held in FRANKSON'S HALL, Zealand Street, on MONDAY, the 13th inst., at 8 P.M. 30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 9th April, 1892. [414]

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BANK HOLIDAYS.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875 the Undersigned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on FRIDAY, the 15th inst. (GOOD FRIDAY), and on MONDAY, the 18th instant (EASTER MONDAY).

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Hongkong, 9th April, 1892. [415]

BOXING TOURNAMENT.

A BOXING TOURNAMENT for AMATEURS will take place on SATURDAY, 23rd April, 1892, when TWO SPLENDID SILVER CUPS will be given for Light-weights, not exceeding 12 stone, and Heavy or Catch-weights respectively.

These Competitions will be open to Soldiers, Sailors, and Civilians of all Nationalities. QUENKERRY rules will be strictly adhered to.

Time and place of competition will be duly announced, and the Cups will be on exhibition shortly. Hongkong, 9th April, 1892. [396]

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